OPERATIONAL STRESS

COMMANDER ACTIONS

Signs of Operational Stress

Shakiness/trembling **Upset Stomach** Headaches

Fatigue Insomnia Anger

Loss of confidence Anxiety, fear Alcohol abuse

Exhaustion Confusion **Apathy**

Memory Loss Panic Social Isolation Hallucinations Freezing Misconduct

~~~~~~ What To Do? ~~~~



- Help new Marines & Sailors fit in and assign buddies
- Train to develop mutual reliance and trust
- Prevent intimidation of young marines and sailors
- Impart pride and lead by example and inspiration!
- Encourage unit-centered social events
- Know each service member's personal background
- Ensure all personnel know about operational stress prevention
- Ensure triage of operational stress causalities to appropriate level of care and reintegration of returning recovered casualties back to unit
- Conduct realistic and tough training
- Plan and use regular stress debriefings before and after mission completion
- Pass on mission essential information and control rumors
- Promote physical fitness and practice good sleep habits

